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TODAY'S SMILE  
An old Indian summed up the world situation in these few words: "Trouble is, nations smoke pipe, but nobody inhales."  
—Canton Lions Club.

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Officials Await Action Pending Report

## Committee To Study Canton Viaduct Plan

### 5-Man Committee From Planning Board Named To Make Complete Study

A special committee has been named by the Canton Board of Aldermen to make a thorough study and report on the proposed through-town highway and viaduct. The Mountaineer learned from Mayor W. J. "Bill" Stone this morning.

Earlier this week, the 15-member Planning Board of Canton met and recommended to the aldermen that a committee be named to get all details about the proposal, in which the Town of Canton is being asked by the Highway Commission to pay one-third of the cost of right-of-ways. The estimated cost of right-of-ways has been set at \$300,000.

The Board of Aldermen discussed the proposal briefly in their meeting, but did not take any action other than naming the committee to make the complete study and report.

"The town officials realize this is a major project, and that there are many angles to such a job. We are keeping an open mind and not jumping at any hasty conclusions," Mayor Stone said. "We feel that a complete report by this special committee will perhaps reveal many facts which the board does not now have at hand. We shall proceed as fast as practical," the mayor commented.

"I made a suggestion that we consider employing an engineer to help with the report if needed, but no action was taken. I presume that will be considered, and determined later if the services of an engineer would be of material benefit, in making the complete report," he continued.

The committee is composed of Maurice Brooks, James E. Wilkinson, Lon Goodson, Roy Patton and Frank Campbell, Sr. All are members of the Canton Planning Board.

The other members of the Planning Board includes: Dr. J. L. Reeves, Charlie Westmoreland, F. I. Newman, Ralph Crawford, Bruce Morford, Willis Kirkpatrick, Kaphart C. Nicholls, Rev. Clayton Lime, and Walter Clark, attorney.

There has been a lot of comment about the proposed project, since (See Canton—Page 8)



George C. Haynes, former official, died Wednesday

Funeral services for George C. Haynes, 79, retired prominent farm community official, and church member, will be held at the Clyde Baptist church at two o'clock Friday afternoon.

Haynes died early Wednesday morning in an Asheville hospital where he had been in a critical condition for the past four days.

Rev. J. G. Goodwin, Jr., pastor of the Clyde Baptist Church, is in charge of the services, burial in the Pleasant Hill cemetery.

Survivors will be grandsons: Owen, Ted Owen, Harold Owen, Bill Burgin, Charles Hurst and Carroll Caldwell.

Funeral pallbearers will be members of the Men's Bible Class of the Clyde Baptist Church. (See George C. Haynes—Page 8)

Expressed By Area

Years Ago

Moves Here

Five years ago Kurt Gans, then president of New York, made his first visit to Waynesville. He was impressed that he said: "I'll be happy until I become a citizen of Waynesville."

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## PMA Cost-Share Deadline Nov. 6

Haywood County farmers were cautioned today by A. W. Ferguson not to forget the November 6 deadline for filing requests for PMA cost-sharing assistance for the 1954 program.

All farmers who have not made their requests are urged to come to the PMA office before November 6, Mr. Ferguson said.

## Forest Fire Burns Over 100 Acres

More than 100 acres were burned over in the Laurel Branch section of the White Oak community by a fire which broke out at 1:30 a.m. Sunday, according to R. E. Caldwell, county forest ranger.

The cause of the fire is not known definitely, but it probably was started by careless hunters, Mr. Caldwell asserted.

The blaze kept from 9 to 12 men working around the clock until it was brought under control. The property involved is owned by John Smathers of Waynesville and a Mr. Robinson of Hazelwood.

Rain which fell in the county Tuesday morning helped somewhat, but Mr. Caldwell described it as "light—considering the amount that is needed."

This same rain finally put out a fire that burned for more than a week on Crawford Creek in the Sherwood Wildlife Management Area. The fire started last Sunday morning and although brought under control fairly early, it continued throughout the week until Tuesday morning when it was drowned out by the rain.

Mr. Caldwell urged that the public continue to be careful of cigarettes, campfires and all other kinds of fires.

## Cub Scout Group Named

Lawrence Leatherwood was named chairman of a committee to plan the organization of a Cub Scout Pack at Central Elementary School at a meeting of parents Tuesday night.

Also selected on the committee were Bill Cobb, Furman Robinson, George Milner and Virgil Smith.

The first training session for parents of prospective Cub Scouts will be held at 8 p.m. next Thursday in the Hazelwood School auditorium.

On Tuesday night, parents heard talks on the Cub program and the procedure for starting a Cub pack by Howard Moffitt and Harry Matthews, both of Canton, representing the Daniel Boone Boy Scout Council.

The hunt was organized and led by Bass Hooper and his son, Cyrus Hooper, and a Jackson County group including Major Hooper, Griffen Hooper, Red McMahan, Bill Lewis, Frank Lewis, John Cook, and Hall.

The Saunook group consisted of A. B. Walker, Dillard Hooper and Jason Morgan in addition to McClure.

Hall made his kill about 9:30 a.m., and Dillard Hooper was still cutting and dividing the meat three hours later.

The trip was particularly an experience for Mr. Walker, who has been a resident of Saunook only about 2 years. He now owns and operates the Skyland Tea Room and Tourist Court. This was Walker's first bear hunt in the Carolina Mountains and very different, he said, from bear hunting in the lowlands of his native Mississippi.

Haywood's "old-timer," Bud McClure was more casual about his double kill. "There was no special excitement. It was just a good bear fight. We got them treed and then killed."

Six teen-age girls from the Homy section suffered painful injuries at 9:45 p.m. Wednesday night when the car in which they were riding struck a light pole on North Main St. in Canton.

The injured were Mary Lou Gates, driver of the car and daughter of Mrs. Ruby Gates, who suffered cuts and bruises about the face, Barbara Branson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Branson, bruises, Linda Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Wood, (See Three Girls—Page 8)

## HALLOWE'EN



ARE YOU WITCHPROOF? If not, you'd better watch out Saturday night when the broom-riding sorority will fill the skies—together with ghosts, hobgoblins, and other members of the Haywood County chapter of the National Association of Halloween Spirits. (P.S. Halloween is also the night when it's customary to let the skeletons in your family closet out for a little bone rattling.)

## Town Wins 2 Awards For 1952 Safety

For its excellent traffic safety record in 1952, the Town of Waynesville will receive double awards in pedestrian and drivers' divisions at 3 p.m. Friday at the town hall.

The award for having no pedestrians killed on town streets during 1952 will be made by Winford S. Hughes of Whittier, representing the Carolina Motor Club of the American Automobile Association.

The award for having no persons killed in automobile accidents within the town limits will be presented by the National Safety Council.

The awards will be made to Waynesville Mayor J. H. Way.

## Clyde Nurseryman Finds Irrigation Saves Crop, Produces Larger Yields

Larry Weaver, the nurseryman, is one of those people born with a green thumb. He can get almost anything to grow and flourish.

Late this spring, Mr. Weaver had just transplanted 25,000 shrubs and plants, in addition to what he had in beds at his nursery just this side of Clyde.

Then it was that the clouds disappeared over the horizon and the rains grew scarcer and scarcer.

The nursery is right on the banks of the Pigeon River, and Mr. Weaver saw his nursery stock suffering from lack of water, in addition to his corn field, and 2 of an acre of burley.

Possessed with a mechanical mind, as well as the ability of a successful grower, he acquired a discarded V-8 Ford motor, got hold of a pump, and rigged the apparatus up near the river. He started pumping water at the rate of 350 gallons per hour.

The demonstrations will be conducted by J. W. Van Arsdale of the Government Tobacco Grading Service, who has appeared here several times before.

## Cecil Begins \$10,000 Baptist Church Expansion

A building program was started on the Riverside Baptist Church a week ago. Eight classrooms, a kitchen and restrooms will be added to the back of the present building and the auditorium seating capacity will be enlarged. The building will then be in a T-shape since 4 rooms will be added to each side in addition to a large assembly room down stairs. Enlargement of the auditorium will equal the assembly rooms plus the classroom space. Total cost is estimated at \$10,000.

The building committee consists of the Board of Deacons, the pastor, the Rev. Paul Grogan, and the contractor, (See Cecil Church—Page 8)

## 6 Girls Hurt As Car Strikes Pole In Canton

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## New Machine Used In Cleaning Trunk Sewer

### Work Started At Upper End of 6-Mile Line; Local Crew Being Trained.

Workmen, using the new sewer line cleansing machinery, began operations today of cleaning the 6-mile line from Hazelwood to Pigeon River. The project might take four to five months, according to G. C. Ferguson, town manager.

The heavy duty machinery which drags cutting blades, and scrape buckets through the line from manhole to manhole, was working fine, Mr. Ferguson said.

Two factory men are here training the local crew of operators. This training was part of the purchase contract, which the Towns of Waynesville and Hazelwood made before buying the \$5,400 units.

Decision to purchase the units came after the lowest contract price was \$20,000 for one cleaning.

"We are going to do a thorough job, and the way the equipment started off today, we will have an excellent job when it is completed," Mr. Ferguson said.

The equipment this morning pulled a lot of material, including sand and gravel which had accumulated in the 12-year-old sewer line.

The decision to buy the equipment and clean the line came after continuous overflow of the line into the upper part of Lake Junaluska, last summer. As the result of sewerage content in the lake, the 250-acre body of water was closed to swimmers for the remainder of the season. A series of conferences between health authorities, town officials, Lake Junaluska trustees, and sewer line engineers, resulted in the agreement to thoroughly cleanse the line in an effort to stop the overflow into Richland Creek and the lake.

## Annual Drive For Girl Scouts Is Underway

The annual Girl Scout fund drive which was launched Monday morning will continue throughout this week, according to Mrs. Richard Barber, Jr., Haywood County chairman of the Pisgah Girl Scout Council.

Jerry Rogers, chairman of the finance committee of the Lion's Club, which sponsors the Waynesville-Hazelwood Girl Scouts, is serving as chairman of the drive.

All members of the Lion's Club with Girl Scout troop leaders and Mrs. Barber and Mrs. Bill Prevost are soliciting funds.

They are seeking a goal of \$1,984.00, which represents this community's share of the Haywood County quota of \$3,669.00. The proposed budget for the entire seven-county Pisgah Girl Scout Council is \$18,903.00.

The drive is being carried on during Girl Scout Week which is being observed October 25-31 (See Girl Scouts—Page 8)

## 4-H Club, FFA To Enter Baby Beef In Enka Show

Thirty-six head of livestock will be entered by Haywood County 4-H Club and FFA members in the Western North Carolina Fat Stock Show and Sale at the Homy Valley Horse and Hound Club Pavilion at Enka next Wednesday and Thursday.

Fourteen baby beef calves will be entered by 4-H members, while 22 will be entered by FFA organizations.

The show will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday, and the sale at 1 p.m. Thursday. The two-day event will be sponsored by the Western North Carolina Bankers Association, Asheville Chamber of Commerce, and Asheville Coca-Cola Co.

Chairman of the WNC Bankers committee for the show is Joe Davis, cashier of the First National Bank of Waynesville.

Judges will be H. D. Quessenberry and H. W. Myrick, Division of Markets, North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

Beef specialists will be J. S. Buchanan and A. V. Allen of North Carolina State College.

In regard to the show and sale, the county agent's office issued this statement:

"The quality of the calves being (See 4-H Club—Page 8)

## CATTLEMEN CALL ON BENSON



AGRICULTURE SECRETARY Ezra Taft Benson (right) greets some of the 350 cattlemen from 25 states who called on him in Washington and urged that he reverse his policy and put a floor under the price of beef on the hoof. At left is Francis Robert, of Wauchula, Fla. (International)

## High Peaks Get Snow, Killing Frost Tonight

Winter descended on Haywood today, with snow falling on the higher peaks, and sub-freezing temperatures and a killing frost predicted by the weather bureau for tonight.

At noon today, The Mountaineer learned from the Salvation Army office at Max Patch, that the area there was covered with an inch of snow. The rains of Wednesday night turned into snow early today.

The Purchase Area in Jonathan Creek was also covered with snow. The official forecast for tonight was 23 to 34 degrees.

Service stations were doing a brisk business as motorists scurried to get radiators filled with anti-freeze, and many a gardener were busy covering unharvested garden crops and flowers.

## Recent Rains Helpful But We Need More

Rains which fell Tuesday somewhat alleviated drought conditions and forest fire danger in this area, but the relief is only temporary, officials have pointed out.

Although the rainfall was general, it was heavier in some areas than others.

Waynesville's heaviest down-pour came Tuesday night about 3 p.m., accompanied by an electrical storm and wind. As the rain came down in cloudburst fashion, visibility was cut sharply and driving made difficult.

C. R. Brooks, Pisgah Ranger Station forester, said that some sections of this region got more rain than did others. He added that the rainfall will curb the fire hazard for a while, but that sun and wind would soon again make the forests dangerous.

## Boyd Farm Photograph Shows Ideal Land Use

The color picture of the Dave Boyd farm on Jonathan Creek, featured on the cover of the current issue of "Progressive Farmer," is much more than a pleasing photograph of proper land use, according to Steve Cassell, assistant county farm agent.

As shown in the picture, row crops are planted on level land, small grains and hays on gentle slopes, permanent pasture on steep slopes, and timber on the mountainsides.

## Kiwanis Club Marks 2nd Anniversary

The Waynesville Kiwanis Club marked its second anniversary Tuesday night with presentation of attendance tabs to seven members. Talks on "What Kiwanis Means To Me," and a 15-minute radio program outlining the work of the club in the community.

A six-year attendance tab was presented by President-Elect Charlie Underwood to Hooper Alexander, Jr., who came to Waynesville from Asheville. Two-year pins went to Rudolph Carswell, Bob Winchester, Ray Pleiness, Frank Underwood, Enos Boyd and R. N. Johnson.

Talks on the meaning of Kiwanis were made by Bill Roberts, Mark Kirkpatrick, Hye Sheptowitch, and Charles Edwards.

the weather

CLOUDY

rather cool today. Temperature tonight between 34 and 38 degrees with a killing frost. Friday warmer.

Waynesville temperature by the State Test Farm.

Max.	73	28	—
Min.	68	45	41
Rainfall	—	—	—
	63	39	.08

Highway Record For 1953 In Haywood (To Date)

Killed . . . . 4  
Injured . . . . 43

(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)